Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)
Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

HURRICANES GUSTAV and IKE SITUATION REPORT # 14 Final 1500 Hours 15 October 2008

New information in bold italic font

SUMMARY

Recovery operations continue in Texas, Louisiana and along the Gulf Coast Region after Hurricane Gustav made landfall on 1 September near Houma, Louisiana and Hurricane Ike made landfall on 13 September near Galveston Texas.

EXECUTIVE ACTION

EOC Activation

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC) is at Routine Operations and continues to monitor to EMAC requests from states impacted by Hurricanes Gustav and Ike.

Protective Actions

Governor Kaine activated the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) on Friday, 29 August, directing State agencies and organizations to identify resources that they could deploy to help Gulf Coast states prepare and respond to impacts from Hurricane Gustav. Governor Timothy M. Kaine gave verbal authorization on 10 September to amend Executive Order 75 to include EMAC response for Hurricane Ike. In an effort to increase the supply of gasoline in the Commonwealth of Virginia following the disruption in the normal flow of petroleum products caused by Hurricanes Gustav and Ike, Governor Kaine waived certain specifications that prescribe volatility standards for gasoline. Executive Order # 75; Executive Order #77 (2008); Press Release-Actions to Address Gas Supplies, Price Gouging Complaints

WEATHER

Forecast

Wednesday, 15 October: Mostly sunny; high temps upper 70's to upper 80's; west winds 2-6 MPH. Wednesday night: Partly cloudy; low temps mid 50's to low 60's; south-southwest winds 2-6 MPH. Thursday, 16 October: Southwest, Western and Northern VA: Mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms; high temps upper 70's to low 80's; west winds 3-11 MPH with gusts up to 22 MPH across Northwest and Northern VA; Central and Eastern VA: Mostly sunny; high temps upper 80's; west-southwest winds 4-11 MPH. Thursday night: Southwest, Western and Northern VA: Mostly cloudy with a 20-50% chance of showers; low temps upper 40's to low 50's; north winds 5-10 MPH with gusts up to 20 MPH across Northern VA; Central and Eastern VA: Mostly cloudy with 20% chance of showers; low temps upper 50's to low 60's; north winds 3-10 MPH.

OPERATIONS SECTION

ESF 1 - Transportation

VA Department of Transportation (VDOT)

VDOT and VA Department of Motor Vehicles issued Waiver of Weight to carriers transporting petroleum fuel products in and through the Commonwealth of Virginia effective 25 September 2008 until midnight 25 October 2008.

ESF 5 – Emergency Management VA Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC) continues to support EMAC Missions deployed from State Agencies and Local Jurisdictions to the Gulf Coast Region to

support recovery efforts. As a result of problems associated with the availability of petroleum fuel products, product supplies are running behind demand. In order to ensure adequate supplies of products are maintained, the Commonwealth of Virginia is looking for ways to ensure prompt delivery of petroleum fuel products. At the request of the VA Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, VA State Coordinator of Emergency Management, Michael M. Cline, authorized appropriate exemptions to hours worked as prescribed by the Code of Federal Regulations and state regulations for carriers transporting petroleum fuels throughout the Commonwealth. These exemptions are continuing and are effective until midnight 28 November 2008 or whenever the crisis has abated, whichever is soonest.

ESF 11 – Agriculture and Natural Resources VA Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS)

VDACS inspectors are working across the Commonwealth to respond to calls about possible gas price gouging received by the VDACS Division of Consumer Protection.

ESF 12 - Energy

VA Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (DMME)

Governor Kaine waived certain specifications that prescribe volatility standards for gasoline on 17 September in response to requests for waiver of lower vapor pressure

gasoline from DMME and VDEQ.

LOGISTICS SECTION

ESF 4 - Firefighting

Virginia Department of Forestry (VDOF)

VDOF personnel deployed to Baton Rouge Louisiana as part of a Federal Urban

Assessment Team.

ESF 5 – Emergency

VA Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) Management

VDEM Public Assistance deployed staff to the Texas State EOC to support Public

Assistance operations through 31 October.

ESF 7 – Resource Support

VA Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

The Logistics Section and VDEM Emergency Management Assistance Compact

Coordinator continue to monitor EMAC requests.

PLANNING SECTION

ESF 5 - Situation Unit

This is the final Situation Report regarding the Commonwealth of Virginia's

response to Hurricanes Gustav and Ike.

LOCALITIES

Fairfax County

EMAC Mission – An Incident Management Team deployed to Galveston Texas on 26 September to assist in operation of Texas State Unified Command Post and Base Camp located on Galveston Island. The team returned to Virginia on 10 October. EMAC Mission - Staff deployed to Cameron Parish, Louisiana on 3 October as part

of a 7 member Incident Management Team will return on 18 October.

Roanoke City

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